

RE: CG Docket No. 03-123

To: Chairman Martin;  
Commissioners Adelstein, Copps, McDowell, and Tate

I am Deaf and I need Video Relay Service (VRS) in order to be able to place and receive phone calls with hearing individuals in my own native language – American Sign Language (ASL). I am writing to strongly urge the FCC to establish a new stable, reliable, and predictable VRS rate for the next three years. I know that a long-term stable rate will directly impact the VRS services that I rely upon.

Please set a fair VRS rate that encourages VRS providers to:

- › Increase VRS access for all Deaf individuals through outreach programs
- › Invest in the training and development of additional professional interpreters
- › Improve VRS technology to provide reliable 24/7 and 911 services

Increasing the VRS rate would severely impact the quality of VRS, which I rely on for my communication needs.

Sincerely, Gene D. Stewart

Print Name

Email gdstewart15440@tntmail.com

Print Return Address:

**Chairman Martin, Please  
Set a Fair VRS Rate.**

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Because I want need new  
Sorenson other vp-200 or vp-300.

(Thank you)

Please you call me

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I ASK you have vp-200 or 300



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Dear Chairman Martin and

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My mother, father, brother & sister were all deaf. We used sign language. I was the only hearing one and I never ever wanted to be deaf... or so I thought. I was just another kid on the block. After high school I joined the Air National Guard — spent 2 1/2 years in Germany for my church — graduated from the U of Utah & got an MA from the University of California, Nordridge. I then worked for the State of Utah with the Deaf & hearing impaired & Taught Sign Language at the U of Utah.

At the age of 53 I started getting horrible head aches (I had never had a headache in my life!). At the age of 56 I was out of a job and on Social Security Disability. My life was turned up-side-down. I had 3 serious ear complications: Meniere's Disease, Tinnitus & Hyperacusis. These can lay MAN down. The Hyperacusis prevents me from going places & doing even the normal-est of activities — I can't mow a lawn — go to a busy restaurant — a meeting — family reunions, movies — or even sit in the kitchen when the fridge is on. Sounds of every kind cause me great, great discomfort. I wish I were deaf!

I just wanted you to know there are other people like me, who are not deaf, but cannot use the regular Telephones because no noise can be so close to the ear. The use of the "Technology phones" — Video relay phone — makes life so, so, so, much easier; Try living a few days without ability to use a phone — ask your wife or a friend to make all your calls for you... it ruins your feelings of — well, independence.. That in and of itself is a disability. Thank you for your help, Sincerely  
Gene D. Stewart

P.S. The Video relay Phone  
also allows me to talk to my  
brother & sister — and other deaf  
people — in a most wonderful  
& intimate way and without the  
use of any sound.

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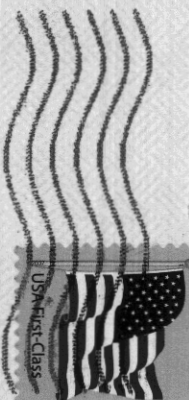
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*Robin Massenberg*

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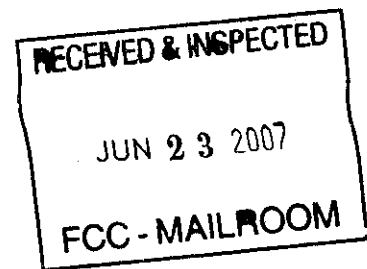
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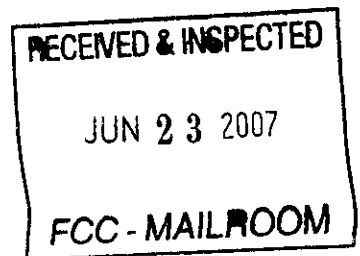
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Signature

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Jesse Pileggi  
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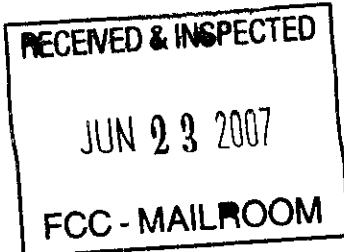
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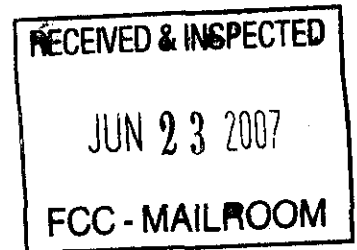
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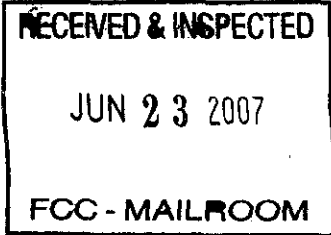
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*James J. Eagan*

*R&R PRODUCTS INC.  
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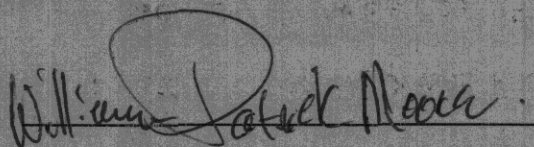
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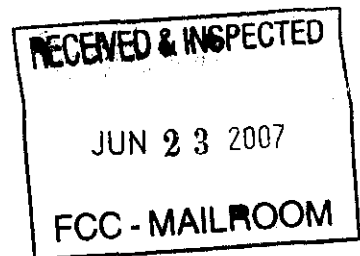
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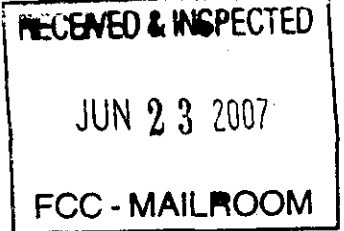
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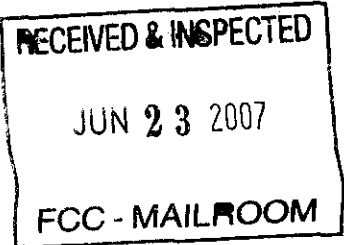
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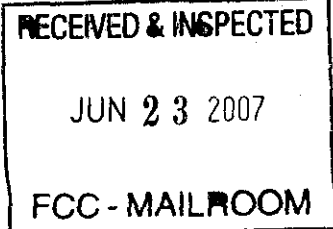
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John Carroll  
(My Mother and Father-in-Law are deaf)

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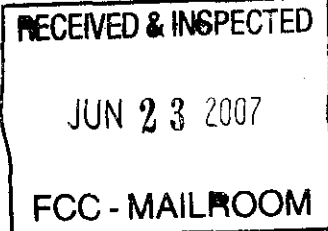
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*(Both my Grandparents are deaf)*

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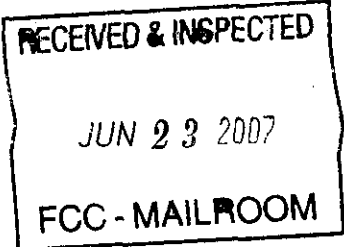
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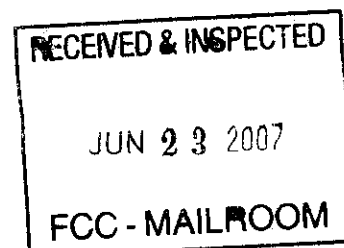
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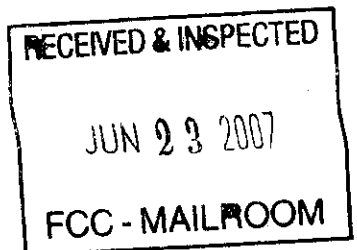
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